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For SUBSTITUTED POLYCYCLIC ARYL AND HETEROARYL PYRIDONES  
USEFUL FOR SELECTIVE INHIBITION OF THE COAGULATION CASCADE

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April 17, 2003

**AMENDMENT B AND RESPONSE**

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In response to the Office action mailed November 20, 2002, the time for response to which is extended to April 20, 2003, by the attached payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please enter the following amendments:

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